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## West Valley Symphony Performs Free Concert at Cultural Center

**WHAT:** Kickoff your 4<sup>th</sup> of July weekend with the West Valley Symphony.

WHEN: Monday, July 2, 2012

8:00 p.m.

WHERE: Utah Cultural Celebration Center, 1355 West 3100 South, WVC, UT 84119.

**WHO:** Everyone is invited to this FREE concert.

**WHY:** The West Valley Symphony with Music Director Donny Gilbert will perform an

"American Overtures" concert on Monday July 2, kicking off the Utah Cultural

Celebration Center's WorldStage! series.

The westward expansion of the United States is one of the defining themes of 19th-century American history. Join us as the symphony performs selections of the "Old West" including *John Henry* by Aaron Copland, Jay Ungar's *Ashokan Farewell* featuring Concert Master Kelly Richardson, and *American Civil War Fantasy* by Jerry H. Bilik. Highlighting the performance will be the performance of a new work by conductor and composer Donny Gilbert, *The Trail of Butch and Sundance*.

The West Valley Symphony, founded in 1990, is an all-volunteer orchestra of nearly 80 musicians. The orchestra has performed from Logan to Provo, including performances in Abravanel Hall, the Salt Lake Tabernacle and the Taylorsville Dayzz celebrations.

For more information on this concert or other events at the Cultural Center, please call 801-965-5100 or visit <a href="https://www.culturalcelebration.org">www.culturalcelebration.org</a>

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